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NO. 45.

BRITISH FORCES LOSE HEAVILY

Fifty-Four Men Killed and One Hundred and Sixty Wounded.

ATTACK MADE DURING HEAVY MIST.

A Terrific Engagement Near Bethel in Which Col. Benson, Commanding the British Force, is Mortally Wounded-Other Prominent Officers Among Thos: Who Fe I-Boers Reported to Have Been a Thousand Strong.

London (By Cable) .- The Rustenburg column, under Col. G. Benson, has met with a serious reverse in the south-eastern part of the Transvaal, in the area of

Conrnandant General Botha's operations. Colonel Benson and eight other officers were killed and 13 officers were wounded, besides 58 non-commissioned

officers and men killed and 156 wounded. The war office issued two dispatches from General Kitchener, dated Pretoria, November I, the first of which states that a severe attack was made on the rear guard of Benson's column about 20 thiles northeast of Bethel, near Brakenlaugte, during a thick mist. The strength of the enemy is reported to have been 1000. They rushed two guns with the rear guard, but it is uncertain whether they were able to remove them.
The second dispatch contains a re-

port made by Colonel Barter, who was sent from the constabulary line on Thursday to relieve Colonel Benson when the disaster was first reported. He reached the column carly Friday

morning without meeting with opposi-He found Colonel Benson had died of his wounds and that Lieutenant Colo-

nel Guiness, one major, three captains and three lieutenants had been killed and three captains and ten lieutenants wounded. The other casualties were as stated

Colonel Barber says that the fighting with the rear guard was at very close quarters and was maintained with great determination by both sides.

The Boers suffered severely, but no reliable estimate of their losses has yet been received. The Boers retired to the east. General Kitchener adds:

"I assume the two guns were recov-ered and that the enemy has withdrawn, but there are no further details. I deeply r gret the loss of Colonel Benson and

the officers and men. "In Colonel Benson the service loses a most gallant and capable commander, who invariably led his column with

marked success and judgment. SAFE BLOWERS IN THE WEST.

Bank Wrecked, \$2,000 Stolen and a Fire to Divert Attention.

Mattlock, Iowa (Special).-Six robbers blew the bank sale here and secured \$2000. The building, valued at \$2000, was wrecked. The robbers, heavily armed were preparing to enter the bank when they were discovered by an old man living in an adjoining building. He was compelled to go to bed and remain silent, under pain of death. Four robbers then guarded the building while the other two, with three heavy charges dynamite, blew the safe. Before awakened residents could get to the scene the robbers had departed. There is no clue.

Larned, Kas. (Special).-A livery barn was burned here, together with 25 head of horses and a number of vehicles. At the same time the safe of the Santa Fe Railroad depot was blown to pieces and the building wrecked. The explo-sion attracted residents who were hurrying to the fire, and over a dozen shots were exchanged with the robbers, who escaped in the darkness. It is believed

the robbers started the fire. Orisp, Iowa (Special).—The Bank of Orispe was robbed by safe-blowers. The robbers secured about \$1500, of which \$450 was cash, the rest being in negotiable paper.

SHOT FROM AMBUSIL

Man and Wife Killed While Fishing in Brozos River-Boy Hurt.

Waco, Tex. (Special) .- J.W.McDonald and his wife Susan were shot from ambush from the bank of the Brazos river, near the Galls county line, and both were

They were fishing and were near their tent when some one fired upon them. McDonald was about 50 yards from the tent when he was shot twice in the head. The wife was 100 yards away and the shot was evidently very close, for the woman's clothing took fire and her body was burned to a crisp.

The murderer was evidently after money, for it was known that McDonald had some in his tent. A son o years old was found near the place and brought to this city. His head was badly lacerated and he was in a dazed condition.

LARGE EXPOSITION BUILDING

Federal Structure at St. Louis to Have 100,000 Feet Floor Space.

St. Louis (By Cable).-The plans of the Government building at the Exposition will arrive in St. Louis in one week. The Government group will stand on the Art Hill overlooking the Social Economy and Educational Buildings in

the grand picture.
The main building will cover about 100,000 feet of floor space and will have no interior columns. It will be 600 feet in length, about 100 feet in width and 65 feet to the cornice line to conform with the uniform elevation of the Exposition buildings. From an artistic point of view it is pronounced to be far superior to structures of this kind heretofore designed by the Government

Five Nen Hurt at a Fire. New York (Special).—The five-story building at Worth and Church streets, occupied by White & Co., wholesale dealers in linens and dry goods; Joshua Bailey & Co., linens, and a branch office of Henry Clews & Co., bankers, was burned out. After the fire was supposed to be under control and while a number of firemen were working in the cellar a gas meter exploded and five of the men were hurt. One of them, John Cahill, is seriously injured, and all five are at a hospital. The estimate of the loss by the fire is \$60,000.

The Methodist Bishops, in session at Cincinnati, decided to hold the next semi-annual conference at Chattanooga. at which closer relations and the final union of the Churches North and South

will be considered.

The West Virginia State Miners'
Convention, at Huntington, adjourned after issuing a call for a meeting Nov. 27, to which the operators of Virginia and West Virginia will be invited.

Henry Wiseman, who was pardoned for the balance of the term he was serv-ing for theft in Jackson, Mich., was re-leased, and then rearrested on the charge of murdering Mrs. Ellen Huss.
Patrick S. Murphy was arrested in Torrington, Conn., on the charge of having attempted to wreck a passenger train on the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad.

At Beechgrove, Ky., Marshal Hardin, 18 years old, kicked the crutch from Everett Bohannan, a school teacher, who was whipping him, and fatally

stabbed the teacher.

A writ of mandamus has been served on Warden Haddox, of the West Virginia penitentiary, to require him to execute George Carter, a convicted mur-

Thomas Gibbons, of Bangor, Me., Fred A. Hold and Mrs. Gero were arhusband, Thomas Gero, at Chesuncook, Maine

Mrs. John Chartrand is under arrest for shooting and killing her husband at the skating rink in Hoboken, N. J. She

says the shooting was accidental.

A heavy coil of telegraph wire was removed from the Northern Central track near York, where it had probably been placed to wreck a train.
Attorney Sears, Mr. Cudahy's coun-

sel, was a witness against James Calla-han, one of the alleged kidnapers, now on trial for perjury.

Many factories of the American Window Glass Company and the independent glass companies in Pittsburg have

partially resumed. Miss L. A. Payne, of Martinsburg, W. Va., was for the third time acquitted of the charge of receiving stolen chick-

Silas Esters, colored, who had forced a boy to commit an ugly deed, was strung up by a mob in Hodgenville, Ky. Yaquis raided a number of ranches near Guayamas and killed Joe Ramado and other ranchers.

Ida Sneller, a servant girl, who had stolen diamonds from Morris Mandelbaum in New York, was caught while trying to dispose of them in Philadelphia. In a fight with pistols between Mr. and Mrs. Plumb, in Virginia City, Nev., their child was killed and Mrs. Plumb and her

mother were shot.

In an accident on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad near Vance Station, Pa. Michael Hahn, car inspector, was killed. Joseph Jefferson, of White Stone, Va., accidentally shot himself while hunting.

It is thought he is fatally injured. Seventy-five families lost their homes by a big fire in Chicago, the property loss amounting to about \$225,000. Governor Taft is recovering in Manila

from a successful operation which was performed on him. A silver service will be presented to the battleship Illinois at Old Point on No-

The Lynchburg Gun Club has invited the President to take a hunt in Novem The Pennsylvania Railroad Company

as ordered 13,000 pressed steel cars. Major John Page died in Henrico county, Virginia, aged 80 years. A. J. Kiser was assaulted at Staunton, Va., and his skull fractured.

Foreign.

A man claiming to be a son of a 'Lord Sackville' has applied to the Spanish courts to recognize his legitinacy, stating that his mother was a Spanish dancer, who married Lord Sackville. The present Lord Sackville, of England, however, did not succeed to the title until 1888.

John Francis Stanley (Earl Russell) and Mrs. Molly Summerville were mar-ried in the registry office, London, his previous marriage in Nevada, this country, following the divorce from his first wife, not having been recognized in England.

Every available infantryman in England will be sent to South Africa. departure of the cavalry brigade from Aldershot leaves only a single regiment of regular cavalry in the United King-

The Chinese have patched up the towers and palace of the Forbidden City in a theatrical way to conceal from the eyes of the returning court all evidence war and conquest.

General Buller's popularity with the soldiers and the masses in England is increasing. The government is beginning to fear that he will develop into a Boulanger. The Venezuelan troops at Tachira

have been ordered to withdraw, but the Colombian Government continues to strengthen its position at Rio Hocha. Six hundred Turkish officers whose salaries are in arrears made a mutinous demonstration before the palace in Con-

stantinople. Three cases of the bubonic plague were reported at Liverpool and measures of precaution were at once taken. The situation at the collieries in Wales is critical, and the employers may re-

sort to a general lockout. Mr. William C. Whitney sold out his racing establishment at Newmarket,

General Ospina, minister of war in Colombia, was found to be implicated in a conspiracy against the government. He was deposed and imprisoned. The National Review publishes the es-

sential features of General Buller's dispatch to Sir George White directing the surrender of Ladysmith. also declared his purpose to challenge

again for the cup. Most Rev. Diomede Falemia, apos olic delegate to Canada, is said to be slated to succeed Cardinal Martinelli at

Washington. Lord Kitchener reported that Colonel Byng surprised a Boer command and captured several field cornets.

The negotiations for the ransom of Miss Stone are reported to be progressng satisfactorily. The police of Berlin seized an edition

Count Tolstoi's brochure, "The Meaning of Life." The Dutch Red Cross Society denounces the British for seizing a Red Cross ambelance.

SUMMARY OF THE LATEST NEWS. MANY KILLED BY INFECTED SERUM

Eleven Children Dead After Using Diphtherla Antitoxin,

SERUM WAS TAKEN FROM A HORSE.

Coroner Punkhouser Has Begun a Thorongh Other Fatalities-Herse Had Been Used for the Same Purpose for the Last Twe Years.

St. Louis (Special).-The list of deaths attributed to lockjaw as a result of the administration of diphtheria antitoxin manufactured by the city chemist now numbers II. two more deaths having been reported.

Eleven other children are reported to the Health Department as suffering with lockjaw, with slight chances for recovery. The cause of lockjaw in each case is said to be poisoning from the chy's diphtheria antitoxin.

The Health Department has now be gun the free distribution of tetanus antitoxin for injection into the blood of diphtheria patients who have been inocrested for the murder of the woman's ulated with the injected serum and thus exposed to lockjaw.

The Health Department has announced that no more diphtheria antitoxin will be manufactured by the city of St. Louis.

The investigation ordered by the city coroner to determine positively the cause of the deaths of the eight children who are alleged to have died of lockiaw following the administration of the city's antitoxin is being pushed and it is expected it will be completed in a few days. Drs. Bolton, Fish and Waldron, three

of the most experienced bacteriologists in St. Louis, are making tests with the antitoxin and the serum taken from the spinal columns of the dead children. Dr. Rayold, city bacteriologist, who made the antitoxin complained of from

serum taken from a horse, which developed tetanus on October I, and was shot, declares that if the animal's system contained bacilli on August 24, when the last serum was taken from it, it was impossible to detect it by an inspection of the horse.
At the Baptist Hospital an independ-

ent investigation has convinced Drs. A. B. Nichols, R. C. Harris and C. C. Morris that the presence of tetanus germs in the city antitoxin is indisputable. A guinea pig was inoculated with the antitoxin on Wednesday night, developed symptoms of lockjaw Thursday mornng and died

MAY HAVE FIRED THEIR STORES. Serious Charge Against Reputable Merchants

-Barns Filled With Good?. Columbia, S. C. (Special).-Twentythree business houses, composing the heart of the town of Timmonsville, were her burned. There was an explosion in the store of Smith & Dennis that aroused the town and then the flames burst out. A keg of powder is supposed to have exploded. There was no apparatus for fighting the fire. One block of ten brick stores, including the bank of Timmons ville, is in the burned district. The loss s conservatively placed at \$100,000, with less than one-third insurance.

A sensational feature developed when W. F. Dennis, of Smith & Dennis, general merchants, was arrested on a charge of arson. Smith had left the town wher itizens called at his place. Dennis refuses to talk. Because of the peculiar manner in which the fire started suspicion rested on these men and a search of their premises revealed boxes of goods shoes, etc., stacked in their houses and barns. It is supposed these goods were removed from their stores before the fire. The sheriff has gone after Smith with warrant

COTTON SPINNERS' CONVENTION.

Editor of the Manufacturers' Record to Make an Address at Meeting.

Charlotte, N. C. (Special).-The fifth annual convention of the Southern Cotton Spinners' Association will meet in Atlanta, Ga., on November 14 and 15. The address of welcome will be delivered by Mayor Livingston Mims, and the response will be made by Mr. D. A. Tompkins, of Charlotte. This will be followed with the annual address by the president of the association, Dr. John McAden. R. H. Edmonds, editor of the Manufacturers' Record, of Baltimore, will deliver an address on "A Southern Industrial Task." A banquet will be given at the Kimball House; a Bohemian smoker will be given at the Chamber of Commerce, and Senator Mc-Laurin, of South Carolina, and Hon. Hoke Smith, of Georgia, are booked for speeches.

White Praises the Kaiser.

New York (Special) .- Andrew D. White, ambassador to Germany, sailed from here on the Deutschland after a fortnight spent in this country on private business. Before sailing Ambassador White paid a tribute to the German Emperor, saying: "The Americans do not know the Emperor. Those of us who know him know that he is a statesman. His control over men shows his great force and ability.

Two Hundred Homeless.

Chicago (Special). - Two hundred persons were made homeless and much property was destroyed by a fire which swept Milwaukee avenue and North Union street between Kinzie street and Austin avenue. The fire started by an explosion of gasoline in the building of Sir Thomas Lipton denied the report Leonard Peterson & Co., 126 to 160 that Shamrock II. was for sale. He North Union street. The loss is \$500, Leonard Peterson & Co., 126 to 160 ooo. The buildings burned were of cheap construction.

A Taxing Plan in Georgia.

Atlanta, Ga. (Special).—The Howard tax franchise bill passed the Georgia House of Representatives Wednesday. It provides that the authorities of the State equipment of corporations from the total shall deduct the value of the plant or equipment of corporations from the total value of the stock and bonds of corporations and that the difference so arrived at shall be declared to represent the value of the corporations' franchise, and that a tax in accordance with that valuation shall be levied on the franchise. The measure was transmitted to the Senate.

THREE DEAD AND TEN INJURIED.

Smashup on the Balliersee and Chie Railroad, Mear Waskington, Pa.

Washington, Pa. (Special).—A wreck occurred on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad east of Brady's tunnel, a short distance east of Washington, which resulted in the death of three men and the njury of ten more, two of whom may Coroner Funkhouser Has Begun a Thorongh die. The wreck was caused by a headend collision between a freight engine
and the westbound Wheeling accommodation train. The dead are:

Michael Hahn, of Finleyville, car in

James Beggan, of Washington, super-risor of Wheeling division.

M. J. Padden, of Roney's Point, elerk in the supervisor's office. The injured are: J. A. Spangler, of Washington, bridge

supervisor, bruised and injured inter-Robert S. Core, of Glenwood, engineer on the passenger train, injured internally, scalded and burned. James R. Fox, Washington, hostler

bruised and cut. Charles Ball, of Glenwood, conductor passenger train, scalp wound. C. O. Devanghan, clerk in Baltimore and Ohio office at Washington, arm and

M. Devaughan, Baltimere and Ohio agent at this place, face cut and feet in-Lewis N. Barte, Pittsburg, brakemen on passenger, severely shocked. F. M. Cunningham, of Glenwood,

conductor on freight train, badly cut by broken glass; condition erious.

John Logue, Hazlewood, flagman on reight train, left arm fractured and otherwise seriously injured.

C. H. Schull, of Glenwood, engineer on

freight engine, left wrist dislocated.

J. A. Spangler and F. M. Cunningham are both lying at the Washington
Hospital in a precarious condition tonight, and their recovery is doubtful. The stories of the cause of the wreck are conflicting, and it will take a coroner's jury to determine who is responsible for it. The engine was on its way from Washington loaded with road offi-cials going to render assistance at a freight wreck near Vance's Station, and was struck by the passenger train just as the engine emerged from the tunnel, both going at high speed.

SUSPECTED OF FOUR MURDERS.

Miss Jane Tappan, a Professional Nurse, Under a Grave Suspicion.

Nashua, N. H. (Special) .- Miss Jane Toppan, suspected of having murdered Mrs. Mary Gibbs at Bourne, Mass., last August, has been arrested and taken to Massachusetts. Mrs. Gibbs died under suspicious curcumstances.

Barnstable, Mass (Special). - Miss Jane Toppan, who was arrested at Amhert, N. J., on suspicion of being con-nected with the alleged murder of Mrs. Mary Gibbs, of Catumet, was brought

Mrs. Gibbs' husband, Capt. Irving F. Gibbs, who is captain of the coasting schooner Golden Ball, was away on that vessel at the time of his wife's death. On learning of it at a coast port he immediately returned home, and, al-though there had been up to that time no suspicion of foul play, Captain Gibbs believed that there should be an investigation, and placed the matter in the hands of District Attorney Holmes. The bodies of Mrs. Gordon and Mrs. Gibbs were exhumed and the stomachs were sent to Professor Wood, of Harvard University, and as a result of his examination Miss Toppan was arrested on suspicion of having poisoned the four

members of the Gibbs family. Bourne, Mass. (Special.)-Mrs. Mary Gibbs, for whose alleged murder Miss Jane Toppan is under arrest, was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Davis, of this place, and a sister of Mrs. Harry Gordon, of Chicago. Both Mr. and Mrs. Davis died last July, and within the next few weeks Mrs. Gordon, who had come from Chicago to see mother in her last hours, and Mrs. Gibbs, died. Miss Toppan, a professional nurse, and a friend of the Davis family, attended each person.

WORLD-WIDE GLASS TRUST.

Belgian Project Will Be Niscussed in Pittsburg.

Pitteburg, Pa. (Special). - Jules Gernaert and Viscount Charles De Herbais de Thun, of Brussels, returned to Pitteburg from Buffalo to meet the directors of the American Window Glass Company and further discuss the deal whereby the American and Belgian window glass trusts propose to control this business throughout the world.

Mr. Gernaert states that he represents all the European glass interests but that he could say nothing further until something definite is done by the American Window Glass Company. The interests involved are said to amount

to \$400,000,000. Mr. Gernaert is also said to have plans for the Amalgamation of American and foreign iron and steel interests.

Chicage (Special).—The grand jury voted an indictment against Dr. Orville Burnett, charging him with murder as an accessory before the fact. Dr. Burnett was with Mrs. Charlotte Nichol when the latter committed suicide at a hotel recently, alone fulfilling an agree-ment, which, Burnett says, they made to die together rather than be separated

Carnegie's Gift Accepted.

San Juan de Porto Rico (Special) .-Education Commissioner Brumbaugh has sent a letter to Andrew Carnegie accepting his offer, made under certain conditions, of \$100,000 to build a free public school library for San Juan. Gov-ernor Hunt sails for New York November 12 for a month's conference with the authorities at Washington.

Andrew Carnegie Honored.

London (By Cable) .- Andrew Carnegie was formally nominated for the lord rectorship of St. Andrew's University. There were no other nominations. Mr Carnegie's election will be declared by the vice-chancellor on November 8. Negre Lynched.

Jeffersonville, Ga. (Special) .- A negro

who attempted to assault the wife of Representative Daugherty, was found hanging to a telegraph pole at Allenton. He was surrounded in a swamp by a posse, caught and lynched.

CEBU INSURGENTS HAVE SURRENDERED

The Entire Force Turn Over Their Arms and Cannon.

FOUR HUNDRED AND FIFTY MEN.

General Chaffee in Ilis Report Says lie Will Advise General Hughes to Waste No T me -A Dozen American Soldiers Viciously Attacked by Bolomen, and Two Killed and

Two Others Wounded.

Manila (By Cable).-General Hughes reports the complete surrender of the insurgents in the Island of Cebu, consisting of 450 men and 60 officers, with 150 rifles and eight brass field pieces. The pouring of troops into the Island

of Samar is believed to have had a good effect on the Cebu insurgents, who have been wavering for some time. The malcontents kept up the conflict by mying that a majority of the American troops had left the Philippines.

Advices just received here from Cat-balogan, Island of Samar, say that 12 men of Company G of the Ninth Infantry, under command of Sergeant Willford, who had been sent from Basey to San Antonio to investigate and report in regard to the number of bolo-men in the vicinity, were viciously at-tacked by 140 insurgents, who rushed on them with great violence, killing two of the soldiers and wounding two others. Willford remained cool and collected during the attack, and the survivors say that he acted splendidly Fourteen of the insurgents were killed Captain Bookmiller, of Company G, recommends Willford for a medal of honor, and Privates Swanton and Vero

for certificates of merit. Washington (Special).-This cable gram was received at the War Depart-ment from General Chaffee. It follows

'Adjutant General, Washington: "The following from Brigadier Gen-eral Hughes: "Insurrecto forces Cebu Island have come in, laid down arms in good faith in obedience to demand of people for peace; 150 rifles, 8 brass pieces, 60 officers, 470 men; affairs not yet satisfactory Bohol Island; may move additional troops there to force set-

tlement. This settles, for present at least, disturbance hereto existing Cebu. Future disorder that island will be made by deliberate action inhabitants, as peace may be easily preserved if people disposed to do so. Shall advise Hughes waste no time, but move on Bohol immediately.
(Signed) "CHAFFEE." (Signed)

MALVAR AND FILIPINO ARMY.

He Proclaims Himself Captain General and Appoints Other Generals. Manila (By Cable) .- Malvar has is-

sued a new proclamation, appointing himself captain general and reorganizing the Filipino army under two lieutenant generals and four generals of division. Every guide caught aiding the Americans will be treated immediately as a traitor. Those who surrender to the Americans will be treated in the same manner. Malvar considers his own appointment to be temporary until the meeting of the general assembly of liberators. He congratulates the soldiers on the good work they are doing in the field, and also those who are working for the cause of freedom and

liberty in the cities.

The Hates umbrella factory, employing 900 hands, which recently found it necessary to close, thus constituting the first labor problem growing out of the new tariff, has decided to remove to Hongkong.

For a \$1,500,000 Memorial.

Washington (Special).-The executive committee of the William McKinley National Memorial Arch Association decided to fix definitely the sum of \$1,500,ooo as the amount to be raised for the erection of an arch in Washington commemorative of the public service of the late President. A committee on the general plan of securing subscriptions was appointed. Alexander R. Shepard, of Batipolis, Mexico, former Governor of the District of Columbia, was unani-

mously chosen national vice-president.

A Castellane to Fight a Duel. . Paris (By Cable) .- An article ridiculing the Castellane family, entitled "Barnum, Castellane & Co.," recently published in the newspaper the Nouvelliste at Murat, excited the wrath of Count Stanislas Castellane, who recently mar-ried Mile. Terry, daughter of a Cuban millionaire. Count Stanislas has challenged the proprietor, M. Peschaud, a member of the Chamber of Deputies, to fight a duel. Count Stanislas is a broth-er of Count Boni Castellane, who mar-

ried Miss Gould. Two Blocks Destroyed. Uniontown, Pa. (Special).—A fire which started in Friedman's livery stable, near Pittsburg street, destroyed ten buildings, covering two blocks. One life is said to have been lost and the property damage is estimated at \$250,000. At 10 o'clock the fire was believed to be under control, although it was breaking out at intervals with more or less intensity The extent of the fire is attributed to the scarcity of water, from which this vicinity has been suffering for several months

Penny's New Alllance.

Chicago (Special) .- The Chronicle A new transcontinental system says: "A new transcontinental system is to be formed. The Pennsylvania and Santa Fe roads are planning an alliance. Heretofore the Pennsylvania's connection to and from the West has been the Burlington, which has become the prop-erty of the Morgan-Hill syndicate. The scheme is not a financial proposition, but merely one involving close traffic rela-

His Head Cut in Two.

Detroit, Mich. (Special) .- A special to the News from St. Joseph, Mich., says: "Albert Wagner, aged 17 years, an employee at the Hack sawmill plant, near New Buffalo, was working near a large circular saw, when his foot suddenly slipped and he fell head foremost on the saw. His head was sawed in half. During the excitement attending the accident some sawdust in the engine room caught fire and the mill was destroyed. Wagner's body was cremated. When the fire was over his charred remains were found in the ruins.'

NATIONAL CAPITAL AFFAIRS.

School, Voting and Fighting Population.

The census report on school, militia and voting ages for all States and Territories shows the following summary for the country as a whole:

Persons of school age, 5 to 20 years, 26,110.788, of whom 24,897,130 are native born, 22,490,211 are white and 13,-

086,160 are males.

Males of militia age, 16,360,363, of whom 13,132,280 are native born, and 14,495,396 are white. Males of voting age, 21,329,819, of

whom 16,227,285 are native born, and 19,036,143 are white. Of the total number of males 21 years of age and over 2,326,295 are illiterate.
Of the 16,227,285 native born males
21 years of age and over, 1,706,293 are
illiterate, and of the 5,102,534 foreign

born, 620,002 are illiterate. Native white males of voting age who are of foreign parentage show a relative increase in their proportion since 1890, while the colored males of voting age have increased throughout the Northern and Western sections with few exceptions like California, where there has been a large decrease in Chinese popu-

lation In many Southern States, especially Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Louisiana, the colored element of voting age shows a decreased proportion

Foreign white males of voting age showing an increased proportion in all New England States except Vermont. There has been a relative decrease in all of the remaining States and Territories except New Jersey. A little over 28 per cent, of the entire

erate.

alien population of the country is illa-erate. This is notably so in Louisiana, where they constitute nearly one-half of the aliens. The statistics show that the average number of persons to each potential voter range from 3.1 to 3.5 in the North Atlantic States, 3.4 to 3.6 in the North Central States, 4 to 4.4 persons to each potential voter in the South Central States, from 3.3 to 4.7 in the South Atlantic States, from 2.4 to 4.1 in the Western States, and 1.7 to 1.9 in Alaska and

The Treasury Pepartment.

Ellis H. Roberts, Treasurer of the United States, in his report of the transactions of his office during the last fis-cal year, says that the Treasury was never stronger than at the close of that period. The operations, which were of the first order, both in variety and magnitude, resulted in noteworthy changes in the paper currency, as well as a steady and healthful growth of gold in the Treasury and in the general stock.

The net ordinary revenues for the year were \$587,685,337, an increase of \$20,444,485 over those of 1900, which were the next highest recorded. The increase came from each of the head of resource, but chiefly from internal revenue. On the side of the expendi tures the total of \$509,967,353 has been exceeded only four times-in 1863, 1864 1865 and 1899. The surplus of \$77 984 was slightly under \$2,000,000 less Deceased recently came to Norfolk from than in 1900. Inclusive of the transac tions affecting the public debt, the ag gregate receipts were \$1,146,489,306, and the aggregate disbursements \$1,077.063. 052.

The Meade Court Martial.

The Navy Department has made public the charges and specifications in the case of Col. Robert L. Meade, United States Marine Corps, who is to be tried by court martial at the New York Navy

Yard November 12. There are two charges, "drunkenness on duty" and "scandalous conduct tending to destruction of good morals. der the first charge, there are three specifications, alleging that on or about the 18th of March, 30th of April, and 18th of June, Colonel Meade, while in command of the marine barracks at the New York Yard, was "under the influence of intoxicating liquors and thereby unfit for the proper performance of

duty Under the second charge, there are six specifications. They allege false testi-mony, while under oath, before the court

of inquiry which investigated his case. White House Recept ons.

The secretary to the President, George C. Cortelyou, states that there will be no change in the traditional programme for the New Year reception. The statement in some of the despatches that the President refused to meet the public because of fear of assassination is especially distasteful. At the New Year reception the usual time allotted to greet the general public will be included in the programme. The fact that the President almost daily takes exercise upon the thoroughfares of Washington, that he goes to church every Sunday unattended by guards and other indications prove that President Roosevelt has not lost trust in the patriotism and devetion of

the people.

Wants of Postal Service. The Postmaster General has submitted to the Secretary of the Treasury estimates for the postal service for the year which will end June 30, 1903. The total asked for the support of the Post-office Department at Washington, including \$1,037,370 for salaries and \$116,-650 for contingent expenses, is \$1,154.-020. The total requested for the postal service, exclusive of running expenses of the Postoffice Department at Washington, is \$134.731.576, making a grand total of estimates for Congressional appropriation for the entire postal service of \$135,885,596.

\$142,161,200 for Pensions.

The estimates for the expeditures of the Interio. Department during the fiscal year beginning next July aggregate \$170,000,000, of which \$142,161,200 is asked for pensions and the administrative work of the pension bureau, \$1,964,720 being for salaries of the burcau personnel and \$350,000 for the investigation by

special examiners of pension cases. Capital News in General.

Secretary Hay presented to the President Dr. Jorge Munoz, special minister sent by Guatemala to present that government's condolences on the death of President McKinley. The report of Gen. John F. Weston,

commissary general of subsistence dwells upon the excellent work of the commissary department in the Philip-The Browning ruling, with reference to the Indian schools, was tentatively

the Catholic authorities

STATE NEWS.

Damaging Forest Fires Along the Moun-

OLD DOMINION

tains in Tazewell County.

APPLE GROWERS WERE FLEECED.

A Fatal Rabbit Hunt in Isle of Wight County-Roancke Will Have New Park to Cost \$10,000-A Methodist School for Young Ladies is to Be Established in Culpeper-Judge John Paul Dead.

Judge John Paul, of the United States Court for the Western District of Vir-ginia, died at Harrisburg after an ill-ness of several months. Death resulted from a complication of diseases in which his heart was most seriously affected. Judge Paul is survived by a widow, who was Miss Kate S. Green, of Warren county, and six children, all of whom were at his bedside at the time of his death. He was a member of the Pres-

byterian Church. As the result of a rabbit hunt in Isle of Wight county, in which the weapons were an old army musket and a 22-cali ber pistol, Wallace Dole, colored, aged 18 years, is dead, with a bullet hole through his forehead. When they found a rabbit the firearms were dis-charged once or twice and Dole's companion, of his own age, went to the home of W. T. Addison after more caps, and what happened afterward is uncertain. The only witness says the shot which killed Dole was fired accidentally by the deceased while he was

priming the piece. Forest fires are raging along the slope of mountains in Tazewell county, be-tween Graham and Flat Top Yards, and owing to the fast-falling leaves and absence of rain for several weeks the flames are fed by ample fuel to cause great alarm. The entire mountain is a sheet of flame and a vast amount of fine timber and fences have been burned up or ruined. The flames have crossed from one side of the railroad and river to the other at numerous places. Farmers in Frederick county have just

Philadelphia commission firm. He bought up about 700 berrels of apples and after shipping them disappeared. The apples are valued at over \$1500. The apple crop in this county was large this season and it is estimated that it will not the growers nearly \$200,000. On a charge of forgery O. E. Heath, of Augusta, Ga., was in the Corporation Court of Norfolk, convicted and sentenced to the penitentiary for one year. The charge was that of passing on L.

been fleeced out of their crop of apples

by a stranger claiming to represent a

Hirschter & Son a check for \$50 pur-porting to be drawn by Miller & Miller, pork packers, of Baltimore. At Berkeley, a suburb of Norfolk, Charles A. Parfit, a lineman in the employ of the Southern States Telephone Company, while at work on a pole fell a distance of 30 feet and broke his neck

Michigan. With two loads of shot in his breast, Mr. Joseph Jefferson, of Lancaster county, is lying at the point of death. He accidentally shot himself while out hunting Tuesday, both barrels of his gun discharging.

of Richmond, has been extended a call to the pastorate of the Second Presbyterian Church of Selma, Ala. Mr. Aaron Graves, a prominent young man of Hartwood, Stafford county, died at his home after a brief illness.

Rev. James E. Cook, pastor of the Hoge Memorial Presbyterian Church,

Two brothers and two sisters survive him. Joint committees of the Roanoke Council have decided to recommend to the Council the purchase of the Gish farm, at a cost of \$10,000, for a park.

Judge Atkinson has appointed Ben-

amin L. Roberts as County Treasurer of Isle of Wight, to succeed his late father, John Walter Roberts. Rev. H. A. Gaver, of the Baltimore Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church South, was paralyzed at his home at

A Methodist school for young ladies is to be established in Culpeper. It is stated \$75,000 will be expended in buildings. Mr. Herman Wolf died in Gordons

Middletown.

ville from injuries received in a driving accident ten days ago. John Walter Roberts, county treasurer, died at his home in Isle of Wight county, aged about 70 years. He had an arm shot off in the Civil War. He was one of even brothers who fought for the Confederacy. None but him was wounded. Among those surviving is Postmaster

William Hurt, a colored sweeper in the Norfolk and Western Railway yard, was run down by a backing freight train at Roanoke and had his right leg mashed off at the hip. He died soon afterward. Rev. Eugene B. Jackson, of the First Paptist Church, of Winchester, has reeived a call from a church near Charleston, S. C., and he will probably accept.

Ben Roberts, of Windsor.

He has been pastor of the church at Winchester six years. Lizzie Smith committed suicide in Danville by shooting herself through the head. It is said she was disappointed in a love affair and had been ill for sev-

eral weeks. The janitor's house and barn at Old Point College were burned with a loss of about \$1800, covered by insurance.

The controlling interest in the Mato-

aca Manufacturing Company, of Peters-burg, has recently been purchased by the Southside Railway and Development Company, being one of the steps toward the development of the power of the up-per Appomattox Canal at the locks. The stockholders of the Matoaca Company will hold a meeting next week and the

company will then be reorganized. Prof. S. C. Mitchell, of Richmond Col lege, has become associate editor of the Religious Herald.

The new Courthouse of Augusta coun ty, at Staunton, will be dedicated with interesting ceremonies Saturday, November II. The milk dealers of Richmond will ad

vance the price of milk one cent a quart

this week, making the price seven centquart. At Farmville an incendiary fire de-

stroyed the County Treasury Building, the dog pound, Ewing's stable and carabrogated upon the urgent request a riage house and considerable provender